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## **Final Cotton Production Estimates For 2009 Crop**

Phoenix – Final figures on Arizona's 2009 cotton crop show area planted to upland varieties totaled 145,000 acres with 144,000 acres harvested. The average yield per acre was a record high 1,477 pounds per acre, surpassing the previous record high yield of 1,469 pounds established in 2007. Production totaled 443,000 bales, 9 percent more than last year. Pima cotton was planted and harvested from 1,600 acres. Final Pima production totaled 3,900 bales, an increase of 3,100 bales from the previous year. Total cottonseed production was estimated at 161,400 tons, up 15 percent from 2008.

In its first production forecast of the 2010 season, the Arizona office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service forecast the State's Durum wheat crop at 7.90 million bushels, down 36 percent from the 2009 crop. Area for harvest is estimated at 79,000 acres, 45,000 fewer acres than a year ago. Yield is expected to average 100 bushels per acre.

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